

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

1 (currently amended). A home page automatic update system comprising:
a home page management unit reading out an HTML document from a home
page database in response to a request from a user terminal, and transmitting the
readout HTML document to the user terminal;

a patrol search unit extracting update data by executing in turn a reception
process of a mail message stored in a mail server, an extraction process of update data
of an HTML document stored in the home page database, a file search process in a
management terminal, and a search process of schedule data in a storage device on
the basis of [a variable selected from the group consisting of a predetermined] a patrol
time, [a predetermined] patrol order, [a predetermined] number of times patrol is to be
carried out, [a predetermined] and setting regarding whether or not to cause patrol to be
carried out, and any combinations thereof] which determine the order of priority for
accessing the mail server, the home page database, the management terminal, and the
storage device, said order of priority being determined in advance; and

an update data generation unit generating update HTML data on the basis of
the extracted update data,

wherein the management terminal is allowed to set [said variable] the patrol
time, patrol order, number of times patrol is to be carried out, and setting regarding
whether or not to cause patrol to be carried out, which determine the order of priority,
and the home page management unit transmits an HTML document which contains the
update HTML data generated by the update data generation unit to the user terminal.